

ARRA Rural and Small Urban Transit- Initial Allocation

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Background

- ❑ American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009
- ❑ \$8.4B made available for transit
 - \$6.9B Formula Funds
 - \$750M Fixed Guideway Modernization
 - \$750M New Starts
- ❑ Formula Funds (\$6.9B)
 - 80% of funds to Urbanized Area formula grants (5307)
 - 10% to Rural Area formula (5311)
 - 10% to Growing States & High Density Program (5340)
 - 50% must be obligated within 180 days, portion not obligated is redistributed to other transit agencies or states
 - Remaining funds must be obligated within one year or be redistributed

Transit Formula Funds - Virginia

- ❑ Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
 - \$202 million - facilities, buses, equipment
- ❑ Virginia Railway Express
 - \$9.8 million – locomotives
- ❑ Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission
 - \$3.9 million - bus and capital replacement
- ❑ Greater Richmond Transit Company
 - \$13.8 million - transit center, paratransit vehicles
- ❑ Hampton Roads Transit
 - \$24.1 million - facilities, buses, equipment
- ❑ Department of Rail and Public Transportation
 - \$30.5 million (rural / small urban systems) – **CTB Decision**

Virginia's Rural/Small Urban Transit Funds

- ❑ \$30.5M total funding: \$18.6M rural, \$11.9M small urban
- ❑ DRPT recommendations for initial funding based on applications received during the 2008-2009 annual grant applications period
- ❑ More applications were received for small urban funding than for rural funding
- ❑ DRPT recommends \$17,344,006 in initial funding for rural and small urban transit programs, with the remaining \$13,200,000 to be obligated through a second applications period to be held in summer 2009

DRPT Recommendation

Initial Rural Transit Allocation - \$3.8 M

ARRA Rural Apportionment	Amount transferred to Small Urban Apportionment	Total Funds Available
\$ 18,555,163	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 12,555,163
Funds Awarded:		\$ 3,834,900
Unallocated Balance:		\$ 8,720,263

#	District	Recipient	Description	ARRA Funding
1	Bristol	Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	Purchase 5 Replacement Vans	\$ 225,000
7	Fredericksburg	Bay Aging	Purchase 7 Replacement Vans	\$ 396,900
8	Hampton Roads	STAR Transit	Purchase 2 Replacement Vans	\$ 110,000
20	Northern Virginia	Town Of Haymarket	Purchase Expansion Bus Trolley	\$ 145,000
21	Northern Virginia	Virginia Regional Transit - Loudoun NoVA CTB District	Purchase Replacement Bus,Vans, Fac. Dsgn.	\$ 2,794,000
41	Salem	Pulaski Area Transit	Purchase Replacement Bus 30-ft	\$ 54,000
42	Salem	RADAR / Roanoke	Purchase 2 Replacement Vans	\$ 110,000

DRPT Recommendation

Initial Small Urban Transit Allocation - \$13.5 M

ARRA Small Urban Apportionment	Amount Transferred from Rural Apportionment	Total Funds Available
\$ 11,993,189	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 17,993,189
Funds Awarded:		\$ 13,509,106
Unallocated Balance:		\$ 4,484,083

#	District	Recipient	Description	ARRA Funding
2	Culpeper	Charlottesville Transit Service	Purchase Replacement Buses, Misc Equip	\$ 1,306,442
9	Lynchburg	Danville Transit System	Purchase Replacement Buses, Misc Equip	\$ 200,000
13	Lynchburg	Greater Lynchburg Transit Company	Purchase Replacement Buses, Misc Equip	\$ 5,177,500
27	Salem	Blacksburg Transit	Purchase Replacement Buses, Misc Equip	\$ 4,523,664
36	Salem	Greater Roanoke Transit Company	Purchase Replacement Vans, Misc Equip	\$ 580,000
43	Staunton	City of Harrisonburg Dept. of Public Transportation	Purchase Replacement Buses, Misc Equip	\$ 1,670,400
47	Staunton	City of Winchester	Purchase Security & ADP Equipment	\$ 51,100

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Funding Required for Initial Allocation

- ❑ Since more applications were received for small urban needs than for rural needs, DRPT recommends shifting \$6M from the rural program to the small urban program for this initial allocation
- ❑ DRPT anticipates that more rural applications will be received in the second application period in summer 2009

Next Steps

- ❑ CTB action on initial rural and small urban transit allocation of \$17.3 million in ARRA Formula Funds
- ❑ DRPT to coordinate with transit operators, local jurisdictions, Metropolitan Planning Organizations and Federal Transit Administration to obligate the allocated federal funds
- ❑ Summer 2009 – DRPT to solicit applications for the remaining \$13.2 million of ARRA rural and small urban transit funds
- ❑ Fall 2009 – DRPT to make recommendations to CTB on final allocations



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